

GERMANS ARE MOWED DOWN BY ARTILLERY FIRE

OFFENSIVE MOVE IS AN UTTER FAILURE

Under Cloud of Gas, Trenches of Allies Are Attacked in Flanders Zone

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 20.—Indication of a long expected offensive by the Germans in Flanders, where the massing of Teutonic troops is said to have been in progress for weeks, is contained in the official British and French reports, which say that under a cloud of gas the Germans attacked the British trenches northeast of Ypres. According to reports the Germans failed so completely that few emerged from their own trenches, and those who did, were mowed down by artillery fire.
"Thank God, they are safely out of there without serious loss," is the expression frequently heard in connection with the transfer of troops from the Suva and Anzac zones. It is believed that the forces withdrawn were well over one hundred thousand.

BELMONT REFINERY DESTROYED BY FIRE

The breaking of an oil pipe, by which this fuel is fed under pressure, caused a serious fire at the Belmont mill Sunday morning about 3 o'clock. The oil immediately ignited and it was some time before the flow could be shut off, which caused a fire that could not be checked.
The blaze occurred in the refinery, which is situated some distance from any other building. The company has a well equipped fire fighting system and many of its men are trained in its use. Chemicals and water were quickly applied, but seemed to have no effect on the fire. The Tonopah department was called and it made the long run in a very few minutes, picking up volunteers on the way to aid the paid men.
Within half an hour the refinery building was constructed with a steel frame, with galvanized covering, metal roof and concrete floor. The regular semi-monthly melt was in progress, but none of the bullion was lost. The estimate of the loss is not given out, but it is believed that the building and contents, including the machinery, were worth about \$14,000. The plant will be rebuilt soon after the adjustments of the loss is made. The structure and contents were fully insured. R. J. Highland will handle the adjustment. This disaster will not in any way affect the output of bullion from the property.

U. OF N. ALUMNI HOLD INITIAL BANQUET

Some thirty alumni and former students of the University of Nevada gathered in the Mizpah grill on Saturday evening to banquet and entertain President Hendrick and a faculty representation from Reno. In the party were Dean J. S. Scrugham, of the college of engineering; Dr. F. C. Lincoln, head of the Mackay school of mines, and Prof. J. C. Jones and Prof. Walter Palmer, members of his faculty.
Pennants, flowers and plants were scattered profusely about the hall, and a canopy in the Nevada colors, blue and white, representing the state flag, was tastefully hung from above. J. A. Carpenter officiated as toastmaster.

TEMPORARY RELIEF FOR ALL THE NEEDY

COMMITTEE WILL CONTINUE ITS GOOD WORK THROUGHOUT THE WINTER
At a meeting of the city relief committee yesterday it was learned that all cases needing relief thus far reported to the committee have been temporarily cared for. Sufficient cash is in the treasury to provide relief to these cases for a few weeks longer.
The committee will continue its work throughout the winter and all cases reported to the committee through Chief Evans will be investigated and necessary relief extended without any publicity.
The committee will also at all times receive donations of bedding, clothing, fuel, provisions and cash, and will see that such gifts are placed where they will do the most good.

BULLION FORWARDED BY TONOPAH EXTENSION

The Tonopah Extension Mining company this morning forwarded by Wells, Fargo 39 bars of bullion, the product of the run of the mill for the first half of December. The shipment weighed 5963 pounds and is estimated to be worth \$54,000.

DARDANELLES PLAN IS EVIDENTLY LOST

British Troops Have Been Withdrawn From the Gallipoli Peninsula

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 20.—The withdrawal of British troops in the Suva bay, and Anzac zones of the Gallipoli peninsula and their transfer to "another sphere of operation" is officially announced. The significance of this move is not clearly brought out by the announcement, but it may herald the abandonment of the Gallipoli enterprise. Beyond the statement that the movement was effected with small losses, few details are given.

BULGARIANS AND GREEKS NOW FIGHTING

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, Dec. 20.—Fighting between detachments of Greek and Bulgarian troops is reported in a dispatch from Brindisi, Italy. It was said that several Greek officers and soldiers had been killed or wounded.
Greece is hastily forwarding reinforcements to the scene. The dispatch says the disturbance occurred in the province of Epirus, at the western end of the Serbo-Greek border. The Bulgarian advance is said to have penetrated Greek territory after an encounter with Greek outposts.

LAST WORD ON THE ANCONA EPISODE

SECOND AMERICAN NOTE SENT TO AUSTRIA

UNDERSTOOD TO BE VIRTUAL REITERATION OF ORIGINAL DEMANDS

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Secretary Lansing has announced that the second American note to Austria on the Ancona matter has been dispatched. It is understood to be a virtual reiteration of the original demands, with the implication that it is the United States' last word on the subject. The text will be issued for publication Wednesday.

GOOD WISHES POUR IN ON NEWLY WEDS

PRESIDENT AND BRIDE REPLY TO NUMEROUS MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATION

(By Associated Press.)
HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 20.—The president and his bride abandoned their plans to play golf to reply to hundreds of messages of congratulations from friends, relatives and officials. The couple remained in seclusion. Only members of their immediate party have seen them. They expected to take an automobile ride this afternoon. Arrangements for the Christmas celebration are being made here.

SETTLED EN ROUTE

A man named Page, agent for a typewriter supply house, who had been soliciting business in Tonopah, left town this morning without settling with his landlady. He was stopped at Millers by Chief Evans. Settlement was made and he was permitted to proceed.

BULLION SHIPPED BY WEST END COMPANY

The West End Consolidated Mining company this morning shipped 35 bars of bullion, the cleanup for the first half of December. The consignment weighed 56,776 ounces and, figuring the silver and gold contents at 70 cents an ounce, was worth \$39,743.20.

ASYLUM FOR VILLA IN UNITED STATES

Belief that His Retirement Will Mean End of Revolution in the North

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The state department has decided that General Villa will receive the asylum accorded to political refugees should he enter the United States. The decision was sent to General Funston for transmission to Villa. State department agents have reported that alleged intermediaries have requested Villa's immunity from being arrested, saying that if this is given they believed Villa would abandon the fight against Carranza and retire to private life in the United States. The state department does not conceal its desire to have Villa eliminated. Without him the revolution in the north will certainly fall, the officials believe.

PEACE IN MEXICO HAS BEEN DECLARED

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, Dec. 20.—An agreement has been reached and papers signed whereby the Villa faction in Northern Mexico concludes peace terms with the de facto government of Mexico. A conference was held between the Mexican consul and ex-Lieutenant Villa at the El Paso consulate. The signing of the peace agreement eliminates Villa from Mexican affairs.

TONOPAH VICTORIOUS BY SCORE 24 TO 12

HIGH SCHOOLS GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF HOSPITABLE TREATMENT

The Girls' Basketball team returned last evening from Las Vegas after having played a hard game there. The girls left Friday morning by auto and went to Goldfield and from there they went by train to Las Vegas. There was a large crowd of Vegas high school pupils at the train to meet the girls. That night they entertained the team at a theater party.
Saturday at 2 o'clock the game was played. Tonopah had the disadvantage of playing on an out of door court, but nevertheless won the game by the large score of 24 to 12.
Saturday evening the team was well entertained by a dance given in their honor by the Las Vegas high school.
When Sunday morning came the Tonopah girls rather hated to leave Vegas where they had been treated so royally by all.

REMAINS OF PIONEER BORNE TO SILENT CITY

FUNERAL OF EDWARD CLIFFORD, JR., A SAD AND IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY

The mortal remains of the late Edward Clifford, Jr., were conveyed to rest in the family plot of the Tonopah cemetery yesterday morning by loving hands and many tears were shed as the body of the pioneer was lowered into the grave.
At 9:30 the cortege left the family residence and proceeded to St. Patrick's church, which was thronged with friends and acquaintances of the deceased. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Diss, and mingled with the solemn intonations by the priest and the low, mournful notes of the organ, were heard the sobs of the bereaved.
Those who bore the pall were Joseph Stenson, James Grimes, George Dugan, Steve Clark, Steve Pabovich, H. A. Fink, Fred Innan and Chris Barry.
The procession to the silent city of the dead was one of the largest ever seen in Tonopah, while the floral emblems were so numerous and so beautiful that they fully attested to the esteem and love in which the deceased was held in this community.

Musicians' dance at Airdome Saturday night. Admission free.

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J. W. TUFT and M. D. Kerr of Luning are guests at the Mizpah.

BUTLER THEATRE
A DAILY CHANGE OF EXCLUSIVE FEATURES
TONIGHT
"SCANDAL"
Written by LOIS WEBER, Author of "Hypocrites." A Drama You Will Never Forget.
PATHE WEEKLY
Tomorrow
Paramount Travel Pictures
"THE MOTH AND THE FLAME"
Clyde Fitch's Powerful Drama With a Famous Players Cast
Matinee 1:30. Night, 7:30. Admission 10-15 cents

OPPOSED DEATH PENALTY

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 20.—An anti-death penalty petition has been filed, invoking the initiative and to submit the question to the people at the general election November next.

LAID TO REST

The funeral of the late William Radenbaugh took place at 2:30 yesterday afternoon from the family residence on California street. Many friends of the deceased attended. Christian Science services were read at the house and at the grave in the Tonopah cemetery.

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